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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

**Notice of Permit Applications Received** Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978

**AGENCY**: National Science Foundation

**ACTION**: Notice of Permit Applications Received under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978,

Public Law 95-541.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish a notice of permit applications received

to conduct activities regulated under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978. NSF has published regulations under

the Antarctic Conservation Act at Title 45 Part 670 of the Code of Federal Regulations. This is the required notice of

permit applications received.

**DATES**: Interested parties are invited to submit written data, comments, or views with respect to this permit

application by [INSERT 30 DAYS FROM DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]. This application

may be inspected by interested parties at the Permit Office, address below.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to Permit Office, Room 755, Division of Polar Programs, National

Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Li Ling Hamady, ACA Permit Officer, at the above address or

ACApermits@nsf.gov or (703) 292-7149.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The National Science Foundation, as directed by the Antarctic Conservation Act

of 1978 (Pub. L. 95-541), as amended by the Antarctic Science, Tourism and Conservation Act of 1996, has

developed regulations for the establishment of a permit system for various activities in Antarctica and designation

of certain animals and certain geographic areas a requiring special protection. The regulations establish such a

permit system to designate Antarctic Specially Protected Areas.

APPLICATION DETAILS:

1. **Applicant** Permit Application: 2015-016

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Ashley Perrin

Racing Yacht Management

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Activity for Which Permit is Requested

Waste permit; Applicant requests that 16 total passengers and crew aboard the 56 meter sailing yacht SY

Fidelis be allowed into the Antarctic Treaty area, to cruise along the Antarctic Peninsula for tourism and

sightseeing purposes. Applicant proposes to make select stops at non-protected area landings, for day-time

sightseeing. Applicant intends to follow Appendix 2 for all food waste and garbage, and the boat has an

onboard sewage treatment plant that meets MARPOL 6 standards. Contingency plans are in place in case of

accidental releases to the environment.

Location

Antarctic Peninsula, South Shetland Islands

**Dates** 

January 1 to February 1, 2015

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